JUN 2 1 2006



Hewlett-Packard Company 19483 Proneridge Avenue Mail Stop 4059 Cupertino, CA 95014-0604 www.hp.com

408.447.3013 Tel 408.447.0854 Fax

To Mail Stop Amendment Company

Telephone

Fax 571 273-8300

From David A. Plettner Subject
Response to Restriction

Number of Pages
4

June 21, 2006

RE:

HP PDNO: 200208655-1 App. No.: 10/678657 Filed: Oct. 3, 2003

Inventor: Kirk M. Bresniker et al.

Group Art Unit: 2116 Examiner: Stefan Stoynov

Dear Sir:

Included in this facsimile package is a transmittal letter in duplicate and one page Response to Restriction.

Sincerely,

FAXed by Jerome Dechant for David A. Plettner

David A. Plettner Counsel

Reg. No.: 36,241

DAP/id

enclosure(s)

RECEIVED **CENTRAL FAX CENTER**

JUN 2 1 2006

PATENT APPLICATION 200208655-1

HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY Intellectual Property Administration P.O. Box 272400 Fort Collins, Colorado 80527-2400

Inventor(s): Kirk M Bresniker et al

Application No.: 10/678657

Filing Date:

Oct 03, 2003

Confirmation No.: 9753

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.

Examiner: Stefan Stoynov

Group Art Unit: 2116

Title: A Rack Equipment Management System And Method

Mail Stop Amendment **Commissioner For Patents** PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

₹ No additional fee OtherFe							Fee	e\$			
	CLAIMS AS	AMENDE	D BY 01	THER THA	N A	SMA	LL E	YTITY			
(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		(5) PRESENT EXTRA		(6) RATE		(7) ADDITIONAL FEES		
TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS				=	0	х	\$50	\$	0
INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS				=	0	x	\$200	\$	0
	FIRST PRESENTATION	ON OF A MU	JLTIPLE I	DEPENDE	IT C	LAIM		+	\$360	\$	0
XTENSION FEE	1st Month \$120	2nd (Month D		Month 020	,		4th Month \$1590		\$	0
	<u> </u>			4				OTHE	R FEES	s	

required or credit any over payment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

I hereby certify that this paper is being transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office facsimile number (571) 273-8300.

Date of facsimile: June 21, 2006

Typed Nagos Signature

Jerome Dechant

Respectfully submitted,

David A Plettner

Attorney/Agent for Applicant(s)

36,241 Reg No.:

June 21, 2006 Date:

Telephone: 408 447 3013

Rev 10/05 (TransAmdFax)

RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER

JUN 2 1 2006

HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY intellectual Property Administration P.O. Box 272400 Fort Collins, Colorado 80527-2400

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.

PATENT APPLICATION

200208655-1

Inventor(s):

Kirk M Bresniker et al

Confirmation No.: 9753

Application No.: 10/678657

Examiner: Stefan Stoynov

Filing Date:

Oct 03, 2003

Group Art Unit: 2116

Title: A Rack Equipment Management System And Method

COPY

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner For Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

	Box 1450 candria, VA 2		•										
		TRAN	SMITTALL	ETTERF	OR RESPONS	E/AMI	ENDME	NT					
Tran	ransmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application: Response/Amendment New fee as calculated below No additional fee						Petition to extend time to respond Supplemental Declaration						
	No additional fee Other						Fee\$						
CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY													
	(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA		(4) EST NUMBER USLY PAID FOR		(5) PRESENT EXTRA		(6) RATE		(7) TIONAL TEES		
	TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS			=	0	х	\$50	\$	0	•	
	INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		. =	0	x	\$200	\$	0			
		FIRST PRESENTATION	LAIM		+	\$360	\$	0					
	EXTENSION FEE								onth)	\$	0		
	OTHER							RFEES	\$				
	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT \$									0			
requ	uired or credit losit Account (to Deposit Account any over payment to 08-2025 under 37 CFF may regulate fees. A di	Deposit Ac 1.16 through	count 08- ah 1.21 in	-2025 pursuant Iclusive, and an	to 37 y othe	CFR 1.	.25. AC	ianomai	iy cna	arge any	IGRE IO	
I heraby certify that this paper is being						actfully submitted,							
transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office facsimile number (571) 273-8300.					Kirk M	Kirk M Bresniker et al							
Date of facsimile: June 21, 2006 By								111	110				
Signature: Jerome Dechant Outland					Ī	David A Plettner							
J. J.	Attorney/Agent for Applicant							licant(s)					
	Reg No.: 36,241												
Date: June 21, 2006													
	7							ns 447	3013				

Rev 10/05 (TransAmdFax)

I hereby certify that this paper is being transmitted to the Patents and Trademarks facsimile number 571 273-8300 on June 21, 2006.

Jerome Dechant

June 21, 2006

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Patent Application

Inventor(s): Kirk M. Bresniker et al

Group Art Unit: 2116

Serial No.: 10/678,657

Examiner: Stefan Stoynov

Filed: Oct. 3, 2003

Confirmation No.: 9753

Title: A Rack Equipment Management System And Method

Attorney Docket No.: 200208655-1

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 14, 2006. In the Office Action, the Examiner made a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121 and asserted that Claims 1-13 (species I) are drawn to a rack equipment management system and method, classified in class 713, subclass 300, while Claims 14-20 (species II) are drawn to program code for managing rack equipment, classified in class 710, subclass 100

Applicant hereby elects species I, claims 1-13, with traverse. Accordingly, please withdraw species II, claims 14-20 from further consideration at this time.

The right to later traverse is respectfully reserved.

Respectfully submitted, Kirk M. Bresniker et al.

David A. Plettner Reg. No.: 36,241

Date: June 21, 2006 Ph. No.: 408 447-3013

Hewlett-Packard Company Intellectual Property Administration P.O. Box 272400 Fort Collins, CO 80527-2400